

Applicant: Takao Tsuruoka
Application No.: 10/646,637

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present application contains claims 1-27. Making reference to the Office Action Summary, it is noted that the Examiner has set a one (1) month response period. It is submitted that this response has been timely filed.

Making reference to the Detailed Action, and responsive to the requirement for election of species, Applicant herewith elects the specie of Figure 1.

The claims readable thereon are: 1-7, 11-13, 15-19, 23-25 and 27.

It is noted that the Examiner considers claims 1 and 27 as being generic.

Applicant further traverses the election requirement based on the fact that retaining and examining the species of Figures 1 and 10 in the present application will work an economy for the benefit of both the Patent Office and the Applicant.

Nevertheless, applicant has provisionally elected the specie of Figure 1 for examination on the merits, the claims readable thereon being as set forth above.

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Conclusion

If the Examiner believes that any additional minor formal matters need to be addressed in order to place this application in condition for allowance, or that a telephone interview will help to materially advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at the Examiner's convenience.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application, including claims 1 - 27, is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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